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The National Military Industrial Co. rence with headquarters in Chicago in asking Dr. Ludwig Erhard. Vice-Chancellor and Minister for Economics of the Republic of Germany, to be one of the speakers at the Fifth Annual Conference which is to take place in Chicago on April 6, 7, 8, 1959. The Executive Director of the Conference has written the Agency asking "any assistance you can give us in persuading Dr. Erhard to accept the invitation."

If the post feels that it can be helpful in this respect, its intervention will be appreciated.

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